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SUBJECT: URANIUM ENRICHMENT COOPERATION

REF: STATE 245013

1. FOL LETTER SENT FR AEC TO WYART BY TELEX DEC. 22:

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BEGIN QUOTE:

"DEAR MR. WYART: I DELAYED IN RESPONDING TO YOUR
TELEX OF DEC. 8 ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT MY LETTER TO YOU
OF DEC. 7 DEALT WITH THE QUESTIONS YOU RAISED IN THIS
RESPECT. YOUR REPRESENTATIVE, MR. LOCHAK, HOWEVER, HAS
CONTINUED TO SEEK RECONSIDERATION OF OUR ANSWER WITH
RESPECT TO EXTENDING THE DEADLINE OF DEC. 31, 1973,
IMPLYING THAT NOT TO DO SO TENDS TO NEGATE OUR OFFER
TO ENGAGE IN EXPLORATORY DISCUSSIONS ON COOPERATION IN
THE CONSTRUCTION OF A EUROPEAN GASEOUS DIFFUSION PLANT.

"SINCE NOTHING IS FURTHER FROM OUR DESIRE OR OUR
INTENTION, WE HAVE CAREFULLY REVIEWED WITH ALL CONCERNED
ELEMENTS OF THIS GOVERNMENT THE POSTPONEMENT OF OUR
DEC. 31 DEADLINE. WE HAVE CONCLUDED THAT THERE IS NO
FAIR OR EQUITABLE BASIS ON WHICH TO SUPPORT A BLANKET
EXTENSION FOR EUROPEAN UTILITIES OR THE UTILITIES OF
OPEN, WHILE A GENERAL EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE WOULD
INTRODUCE A HOST OF COMPLICATIONS REGARDING THE TREATMENT
OF CUSTOMERS ALREADY UNDER CONTRACT. I WOULD EMPHASIZE,
HOWEVER, THE POINT THAT WE ARE PREPARED TO CONSIDER
INDIVIDUAL REQUESTS FROM EACH UTILITY TO WHICH THE DEADLINE
APPLIES AND WHICH DESIRES A POSTPONEMENT.

"WE FAIL TO UNDERSTAND THE DIRECT RELATIONSHIP
BETWEEN THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE DEADLINE AND ENTERING
INTO DISCUSSIONS WITH EURODIF TO EXPLORE THE POSSI-
BILITIES OF COOPERATION. MR. LOCHAK HAS CHARACTERIZED
THE PROPOSED POSTPONEMENT OF THE DEADLINE AS A 'SYMBOLIC
GESTURE' OF OUR GOOD INTENTIONS. WE CAN UNDERSTAND YOUR
DESIRE TO HAVE EVERY ASSURANCE THAT THE DISCUSSIONS, ONCE
COMMENCED, WOULD BE CARRIED OUT IN GOOD FAITH WORKING TO-
WARD COOPERATION OF MUTUAL BENEFIT. SECRETARY KISSINGER
IN HIS RECENT PILGRIM ADDRESS CALLED FOR AN ENERGY ACTION
GROUP TO DEVELOP AN INITIAL ACTION PROGRAM FOR COLLABORA-
TION IN ALL AREAS OF THE ENERGY PROBLEM, AND SPECIFICALLY
SIGNALLED OUT URANIUM ENRICHMENT AS AN AREA OF COMMON
CONCERN. WE HAVE RECENTLY CONVEYED TO GOVERNMENTS OF
EUROPE THROUGH DIPLOMATIC CHANNELS OUR WILLINGNESS TO
BEGIN THE EXPLORATORY DISCUSSIONS THAT COULD LEAD TO A
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FIRM BASIS FOR COOPERATION.

SINCERELY,
JOHN A. ERLEWINE,
ACTING GENERAL MANAGER.

2. END QUOTE. KISSINGER

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